

REMARKS

Claims 27-53 are pending in the present application. In the pending Office Action, the Examiner has taken the position that the claims are drawn to two distinct inventions.

Specifically, the Examiner has grouped the claims as follows:

I Claims 27-36 and 42-53

II Claims 37-41.

Applicant elects without traverse the claims of group I (claims 27-36 and 42-53). Claims 37-41 are hereby withdrawn and Applicant reserves the right to pursue these claims and others in one or more continuation/divisional applications.

The claims of group I were further divided into five species (Figures 6-10). Applicants elect with traverse the claims of the first species (Figure 6). Claims 27-36, 42-45, and 47-51 appear to read on the embodiment of Figure 6 among others. The described species are related too each other and would not present an undue burden upon the Office to examine each of claims 27-36 and 42-53.


CONCLUSION

The Applicant respectfully submits that this application is in condition for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 220-4255 to discuss any matter concerning this application. The Office is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayments under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

Respectfully submitted,
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